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New Feature — On Your Bookshelf

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*A new column which lists books recently read by library staff, booksellers and publishers. Let us know if you'd like to see more columns like this. Titles to be included in future columns can be sent to **Joanne Schmidt** at the Emerson College Library; 148 Beacon Street; Boston, MA 02116, or, via Internet to "ecl_jms@flo.org".*

Recently, the **New England Technical Services Librarians (NETSL)** and the **New England Library Association (NELA)** sponsored a "Technical Services 2000" conference. In her opening address, **Liz Bishoff** from OCLC recommended three books relevant to the conference's theme:

1. **Barker, Joel A.** *Future Edge: Discovering the New Rules of Success*. Morrow, 1992.
2. **Hammer, Michael and Champy, James.** *Reengineering the Corporation: A Manifesto for Business Revolution*. Harper, 1993.
3. **Schwartz, Peter.** *Art of the Long View: The Path to Strategic Insights for Yourself and Your Company*. Doubleday, 1991.

Readers interested in creating scenarios to predict the future, may want to read **Barker's** more recent *Paradigms: The Business of Discovering the Future*. Harper, 1993.

Many conference goers were anxious to read *The Book of Virtues: A Treasury of Great Moral Stories*. This Simon and Schuster 1993 publication was edited, with commentary, by **William J. Bennett**.

Ann Pardo and **Martha Davidson**, from the library at **Simmons College**, are reading **Dorothy Dunnett's** Niccolo series. This Scottish author writes Flemish historical adventures, as in the Niccolo series, as well as mysteries. *Niccolo Rising* was published by Knopf in 1986. Buccaneer and Dell have reprinted it. **Dunnett's** other works currently available through Knopf include:

Scales of Gold, 1992
Untitled Novel, No. 2, 1992
Race of Scorpions, 1990

Buccaneer reprints of her works include:

King Hereafter: A Novel, 1991
Checkmate, 1983
The Game of Kings, 1983
Pawn in Frankincense, 1983
Queen's Play, 1983
The Ringed Castle, 1983
Disorderly Knights, 1981

David Miller, Curry College, is reading Thomas Merton's *Waters of Siloe*.

Mandy Janjigian is learning about *Generation X in Thirteenth Gen: Abort, Retry, Ignore, Fail?* by William Strauss, Neil Howe and Ian Williams. It was published by Random House in 1993.

At the **Emerson College Library**, librarians are reading the following:

1. **Lever, Maurice. Sade: A Biography**. Farrar, Strauss and Giroux, 1993.
2. **Gause, Donald C. and Weinberg, Gerald M.** *Are Your Lights On? How to Figure out What the Problem Really Is*. Dorset House, 1990. (On original and inventive problem solving)
3. **Lowry, Lois.** *The Giver*. Houghton Mifflin, 1993. (Young adult fiction)
4. **D'Souza, Dinesh.** *Illiberal Education: The Politics of Race and Sex on Campus*. Random House, 1992.
5. **Ishiguro, Kazuo.** *Remains of the Day*. Knopf, 1989.
6. **O'Toole, Peter.** *Loitering With Intent: The Early Years*. Hyperion, 1993.
7. **Lee, Sky.** *Disappearing Moon Cafe*. Seal Press, 1991.
8. **Berendt, John.** *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil: A Story of Savannah*. Random House, 1993. (On the underside of Savannah)
9. **Howe, Fanny.** *Saving History*. Sun and Moon, 1990. (A story of the illegal trade in body organs on the Mexican-American border)
10. **Winterson, Jeanette.** *The Passion*. Random House, 1990.
11. **Matthiessen, Peter.** *At Play in the Fields of the Lord*. Random House, 1965, reprinted by Vintage, 1987.
12. **Undset, Sigrid.** *Kristin Lavranadatter, Vol. I-III. The Bridal Wreath, The Mistress of Husaby, The Cross*. Random House, 1987.

In the **Fenway Library Consortium**, librarians listed these among their recent reading materials:

1. **McCarthy, Cormac.** *All the Pretty Horses*. Knopf, 1992.
2. **Tharp, Louise Hall.** *Mrs. Jack: A Biography of Isabella Stewart Gardner*. Little Brown, 1965.
3. **Isaacson, Walter and Evan Thomas.** *The Wise Men: Six Friends and the World They Made*. Simon and Schuster, 1988.
4. Various murder mysteries by **Paul Auster**, **Lawrence Sanders**, **Robert Campbell**, **Patricia Cornwell**, **Stephen Greenleaf**, **Margaret Maron**, **Sarah Shankman**, and **Julie Smith**.

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